House STEM App Challenge

Welcome to the first annual House STEM App Challenge for the 25th Congressional District in New York!

This new competition was established by Members of the House of Representatives in 2013. The Challenge aims to engage high school student's creativity and encourage participation in STEM educations fields. This is a nationwide event that allows high school students from across the country to compete by creating and exhibiting their software application, or "app."

Congresswoman Slaughter's STEM App Challenge seeks all high school students to submit a prototype design of an app that relates to STEM fields – students are not required to create a functioning app.

When Do I Enter?

1. Between FEBRUARY 1ST, 2014 at approximately 12 PM Eastern Daylight Time ("EDT") and April 30TH, 2014 at 12 PM EST (the "Competition Submission Period").

Where Do I Enter?

A. Register:

1. During the Competition Submission Period, you will need to create an account on www.challengepost.com as this is where you will submit your App. You will also need to register for the House Student App Contest by completing the entry form on http://studentappchallenge.house.gov/ this form allows Rep. Slaughter's office know who is participating so that they can communicate with you during the Submission Period.

B. Online Requirements (on ChallengePost.COM):

- 1. Each Contestant will be required to provide the following as part of the Submission:
 - A link to the Application Demonstration Video. ChallengePost supports YouTube or VIMEO. Please note that your entry may be judged in its entirety based on this video. It is important to demonstrate the scope and quality of your application prototype in this video. No more than two minutes in length.
 - A link to the Developer Video. ChallengePost supports YouTube or VIMEO. The participant will describe how and why they created the app and what they learned. No more than one minute in length.
 - An entry form
 - Submission Deadline: April 30TH, 2014 at 12 PM EST

Workshop

Plans for a workshop for students will be announced in the near future. This will be an opportunity for students to engage with local STEM educational partners to assist with their app idea development and to learn about STEM careers.

Winner Selection and District Judging Criteria

- 1. Application Videos will be viewed by District Judges.
- 2. The District Judges and Judging Criteria will be posted here in the near future
- 3. Odds of winning depend on the number of eligible Submissions received and the quality of the Submissions. The approximate dates for the judging panel are between May 1ST, 2014 at 12PM EST and May 30th, 2014 at 12PM EST

Prizes

Rep. Slaughter will host an awards ceremony where finalists will get the chance to present their
apps to Judges, Congressional staffers and community leaders. The winning app in each district
will be featured on the House.gov website.